

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1-8 (Canceled).

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): A recording apparatus comprising:

a reproduction unit configured to reproduce ~~reproduction means for reproducing~~  
digital audio data from a standard compact disc;

a recording unit configured to write the digital audio data from the standard compact  
disc to the internal memory; and

a control circuit configured to search an information data related to the digital audio  
data in said internal memory, if said control circuit determines that said information data of  
the digital audio data has been stored in said internal memory, said control circuit prohibits  
writing said digital audio data into said internal memory, and if said control circuit  
determines that said information data are not stored in said internal memory, said control  
circuit writes the digital audio data from the standard compact disc to the internal memory for  
~~searching an internal memory of said apparatus to determine when digital data from the~~  
~~standard compact disc is present on the internal memory; and~~

~~a recording means for writing the digital data from the standard compact disc to the~~  
~~internal memory only when the control circuit has determined that the digital data from the~~  
~~standard compact disc is not present on the internal memory.~~

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): The recording apparatus of claim 9, wherein the  
internal memory additionally contains at least one control table configured to store said  
information data ~~for storing at least a write source of the digital data and a write position of~~  
~~the digital data on the internal memory and wherein, and~~

the control circuit is configured to search ~~searches~~ the internal memory to determine when digital audio data from the standard compact disc is present on the internal memory by searching the control table.

Claim 11 (Previously Presented): The recording apparatus of claim 9, wherein the internal memory is a hard disk drive.

Claim 12 (Currently Amended): The recording apparatus of claim 9, further comprising:

a display means connected to the control circuit,

wherein when the control circuit has determined that the digital data from the standard compact disc is not present on the internal memory, the display means displays information indicating that the compact disc has already been recorded ~~and the digital data is reproduced from the internal memory.~~

Claim 13 (Currently Amended): The recording apparatus of claim 9, ~~additionally~~ further comprising:

a data compression and encoder circuit configured to compress ~~for compressing~~ the digital audio data from the compact disc so that when the digital audio data is written from the standard compact disc to the internal memory, the digital audio data is ~~may be~~ compressed to occupy less space on the internal memory.

Claim 14 (New): A method for recording digital audio data comprising:

searching information data related to the digital audio data in an internal memory;

determining if said information data of the digital audio data is already stored in said internal memory;

prohibiting writing said digital audio data into said internal memory if said determining determines that the information data is already stored in said internal memory;  
and

writing the digital audio data from the standard compact disc to the internal memory if said determining determines that the information data is not already stored in said internal memory.

Claim 15 (New): The method of claim 14, wherein the searching includes searching at least one control table stored in the internal memory, said control table storing said information data.

Claim 16 (New): The method of claim 14, wherein the searching includes searching information data related to the digital audio data in a hard disk drive.

Claim 17 (New): The method of claim 14, further comprising:  
displaying information on a display indicating that the compact disc has already been recorded if the determining determines that the information data is already stored in said internal memory.

Claim 18 (New): The method of claim 14, further comprising:  
compressing the digital audio data from the compact disc so that when the digital audio data is written from the standard compact disc to the internal memory, the digital audio data occupies less space on the internal memory.

Claim 19 (New): A computer program product including computer executable instructions, wherein the instructions, when executed by a computer, cause the computer to perform a method comprising:

searching information data related to the digital audio data in an internal memory;  
determining if said information data of the digital audio data is already stored in said internal memory;

prohibiting writing said digital audio data into said internal memory if said determining determines that the information data is already stored in said internal memory;  
and

writing the digital audio data from the standard compact disc to the internal memory if said determining determines that the information data is not already stored in said internal memory.

Claim 20 (New): The computer program product of claim 19, wherein the searching includes searching at least one control table stored in the internal memory, said control table storing said information data.

Claim 21 (New): The computer program product of claim 19, wherein the searching includes searching information data related to the digital audio data in a hard disk drive.

Claim 22 (New): The computer program product of claim 19, wherein the method further comprises:

displaying information on a display indicating that the compact disc has already been recorded if the determining determines that the information data is already stored in said internal memory.

Claim 23 (New): The computer program product of claim 19, wherein the method further comprises:

compressing the digital audio data from the compact disc so that when the digital audio data is written from the standard compact disc to the internal memory, the digital audio data occupies less space on the internal memory.